

## ARIZONA STATEHOOD BILL

### Principal Items in Bills Introduced in Congress by Delegate Smith and Senator Foraker

Among the important provisions of the Arizona Statehood Bill as introduced in the House by Delegate Mark A. Smith and in the Senate by Senator Foraker, are the following:

It provides for the calling of a constitutional convention and the election of delegates, and makes an appropriation to defray the expenses thereto. Said convention shall meet on the third Monday after election and declare itself on behalf of the people of the proposed State. The Constitution adopted must be republican in form, with no distinction in civil or political rights on account of race or color, except Indians not taxed. There shall be perfect toleration of religion, but polygamy shall be forever disbarred.

It provides for the establishment and maintenance of the public schools, which must be forever free from sectarian control, and be conducted in the English language. Five million dollars are appropriated from the treasury of the United States for their benefit. Sections 13, 16, 33, 36 of all unappropriated public lands are also set aside for their use.

It provides 300,000 acres of such land for the erection of public buildings in the capital of the State, 75 sections for the University, 100,000 acres for an asylum for disabled miners, 300,000 for agricultural college, 200,000 for school of mines, 250,000 for military institute and 200,000 each for all public institutions in the State.

It provides the setting aside of 350,000 acres of land for the payment of the Pima County bonds, validated by Congress, and 200,000 acres for the establishment and maintenance of a training and technical school in Tucson.

## Masons and Eastern Star Hold Installations

Safford Lodge No. 16, F. & A. M., and the Eastern Star Lodge held their installations of new officers for the coming year in Masonic Hall, Saturday evening. The Masons installed the following officers: F. T. Patterson, W. M.; H. J. Dowdle, S. W.; A. R. Lynch, J. W.; E. W. Clayton, Secretary, and Z. C. Prina, Treasurer.

After the Masons had installed their officers, the Eastern Stars proceeded with their installation of the following officers: Mrs. Mattie Prina, W. M.; Mrs. H. J. Dowdle, A. M.; Mrs. Kate Jennings, Conductress; Mrs. Gates, Associate Conductress; Mrs. Nellie Olney, Secretary, and Miss Margaret Robinson, Treasurer.

Miss Margaret Robinson, the retiring Worthy Matron, was presented with a handsome jewel of her office.

## BEWARE OF FREQUENT COLDS

A succession of colds or a protracted cold is almost certain to end in chronic catarrh, from which few persons ever wholly recover. Give every cold the attention it deserves and you may avoid this disagreeable disease. How can you cure a cold? Why not try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy? It is highly recommended. Mrs. M. White, of Butler, Tenn., says: "Several years ago I was bothered with my throat and lungs. Someone told me of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I began using it and it relieved me at once. Now my throat and lungs are sound and well." For sale by Safford Drug Company.

## THE STAFF OF THE

### GRAHAM COUNTY STATE BANK

Wishes all its Patrons the  
Compliments of the Season

W. E. PLATT      W. W. PACE      J. R. WELKER  
President      Vice-President      Cashier

## HELD FOR GRAND JURY

### Robert McIntyre Arrested in Bowie and Brought Back to Safford on Charge of Embezzlement

About ten days ago a man named Robert McIntyre, a cook by profession, arrived in Safford and interested Hosey Greenhalgh in a proposition to open up a quick lunch room. They secured the premises next to "The Bank Exchange," paying several months rent in advance and also secured a license from City Marshal Robertson.

McIntyre made preparations to open the place last Saturday, but he was short of a cook stove, which it seems is necessary in a quick lunch room, and is used principally to cook the quick lunch on. However, the need of a stove did not worry the cook, for when he told Greenhalgh he knew where he could get a stove at Thatcher, Hosey obligingly loaned him ten dollars, also a gold watch to time his journey to Thatcher and back to Safford. All this occurred on Thursday.

McIntyre then went over to the Gila Valley Livery Stables and secured a team to take him, the ten dollars and the gold watch to Thatcher to get the stove. They all started for Thatcher, but for some reason best known to the quick lunch cook, he turned the other way and went toward Bowie.

Hosey received a wireless telegram which stated that his new quick lunch cook, the team, ten dollars and gold watch, which he thought had gone to Thatcher for a quick lunch stove, was pursuing a trail yet warm in the direction of Bowie. Hosey immediately got busy and, jumping on his favorite broncho, lit out for the county seat, arriving there too late, however, to catch the quick lunch cook. Securing the assistance of Deputy Sheriff Richardson, Hosey soon had a telegram burning the wire to Sheriff Pruett at Bowie.

The telegram caught Sheriff Pruett at the moment of its arrival in the depot, and he hurriedly armed himself, the valiant sheriff said in wait for the quick lunch cook, who was seemingly trying to make his getaway for pastures new and where they were born, perhaps, more than one a minute.

About seven o'clock in the evening a very tired-looking team drove up in front of the depot at Bowie and stopped. Two men alighted, one of whom answered the description of the quick lunch cook, the other man was a stranger and had been picked up at 20-mile Tank by McIntyre.

Sheriff Pruett immediately placed the cook under arrest, and Deputy Sheriff Richardson at Solomonville of the fact. As soon as the deputy sheriff learned the news of the arrest of the quick lunch cook, he deputized Hosey, the backer of the quick lunch room that was to be but didn't, to go to Bowie and bring back his cook. Hosey started on Friday morning's train and arrived in Bowie without further mishap or being touched by some new artist. Placing his quick lunch cook under arrest he landed him safely in the Pullman on the train that comes down the valley to Safford when it does not leave the track before arriving at the station here.

A search of the cook revealed the gold watch, but the ten dollars had escaped. However, Hosey was happy, for he had his cook once more and also his dreams of being a quick lunch magnate.

When the train arrived in Safford Friday evening, it was met by the city marshal, who assisted in escorting the cook to the town lock-up.

Justice of the Peace W. B. Fonda was informed of the return of the quick lunch cook, and he immediately sent word to District Attorney Stratton, and set the trial

for the now repentant quick lunch cook for Saturday afternoon at one o'clock.

Promptly at the appointed hour, the judge and the city police officers, together with the cook and Hosey, assembled in the court room, and the trial commenced. There was not much to tell outside the simple fact that the prisoner had hired a rig and started for Bowie when he really should have started for Thatcher to get a quick lunch stove, and also that he had forgot, when he changed his plans and started for Bowie, to stop over long enough in Safford to bid a fond good-bye to Hosey and return to him his ten dollars and gold watch. This was the sad part of the story, and it was due to the forgetfulness of this important matter, that led to his down fall.

After hearing all the testimony in the case, Judge Fonda, with his usual sad and funeral face, pronounced sentence, that the prisoner be bound over under \$1,000 bail, on the charge of embezzlement, and as the prisoner, the erstwhile quick lunch cook, could not furnish the requisite number of peeps, he was further ordered to the care of Sheriff Anderson at his mansion in the county jail, there to await the end of weary months intervening until the time the district court again will meet and deliberate over his wrong doings.

And so ends the tale of the quick lunch cook, for the present at least.

## Society Notes

Misses Freeland and Nash, of Thatcher, have issued invitations to a number of their Safford friends for a watch party New Year's Eve.

The Ende, Safford's new music club, met at the home of Miss Lottie Colton, Monday night. Schubert was the study for the evening and each member gave something interesting from that musician's life. After this some time was spent in chorus work.

The school children held their Xmas exercises Wednesday afternoon in each room. Santa Claus boxes furnished great amusement, for each child received a gift made by some schoolmate. The school closed Wednesday evening, for the Xmas holidays and will not open until Monday, January 4th.

Mrs. H. J. Dowdle was the charming hostess Saturday of a very bountiful dinner given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Wickersham. Those enjoying Mrs. Dowdle's hospitality were Mr. and Mrs. John Birdno, Misses Mildred Blanche and Loraine Birdno, Mrs. Freeman, Will Freeman, Frank and Clarence Dowdle.

## Duncan Coming to the Front

The little town of Duncan, bids fair to be a city ere long. In the past few weeks a number of settlers from all over the United States have been there looking over the agricultural situation, and most of all of them either bought farms or filed on government land. If they can succeed in getting Uncle Sam to build the irrigation ditch that is at present talked of, Duncan will be among the foremost towns in this part of Arizona. —Morenci Leader.

## Election Contests

Election contests seem to be getting popular in Santa Cruz County. S. F. Noon has filed a contest against the election of W. A. O'Connor as district attorney of Santa Cruz County, and C. A. Gildea has filed a contest against the election of J. J. Catham as justice of the peace of the Nogales precinct. The cases will be heard by Judge Doan on December 29th.

One good seven room house in Safford to let. Inquire of B. F. Foster. 44-1f

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven it to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from ten drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

Address: F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

Sold by Druggists, 75 cts

Take Hall's Family Pills for

## THE SAFFORD DRAMATIC CLUB

### Will Give Two Plays on New Year's Eve, Followed by Con- cert and Dance

The Safford Dramatic Club and the Safford Concert Band will give a big entertainment on New Year's Eve, December 31st.

The members of the Dramatic Club taking part are progressing rapidly and a guarantee of a real professional show will be given: Mrs. George Birdno has sent to Los Angeles for her costume, and will wear the same costume worn by Miss Hunt, who played the name part in the original play at the Belasco Theatre. John Birdno has been practicing with his 44 Colt, on Mt. Graham this week, and a guarantee is given for his marksmanship on this occasion. Dick Latham has been having considerable argument with the English folk as to his ability in speaking with the correct accent, and Mr. Topping stands ready to play his part should Dick fail to comply with the judgment of the English critics.

Mr. Moore is keeping dark, as he intends to be a "Dark Horse" on the night of this play. Miss Robertson has been helping Mr. Miller with the Indian language, as she will play Moosma, the Indian Squaw. They both agree that no one will understand their Indian tongue but themselves. Miss Blanche Birdno has proven at rehearsals that she understands how the man should dress and will spring a surprise on the young men on this eventful evening.

Mrs. Ethel Beck has proven beyond a doubt that her ability lies along the line of "Tragedy." She has broken one sofa, two chairs and one hat belonging to Mr. Topping, in her fainting scene.

Berry Foster has been using a microscope on his upper lip, but has not been able to find more than seven hairs on the right side and two on the left. He guarantees a mousethroat for this evening. Ben Estes is certainly the "John Drew" on this occasion, and it will be well for the young men who bring their sweethearts, to carry a gun to protect themselves.

Mrs. Oliver has been complimented quite frequently on her winsome ways, and it will not surprise the public to see Mr. Oliver there with a few shotguns and the sheriff.

Miss Morris has become quite efficient in crying and will give a true representation of the heart-broken wife.

Mr. Topping will complete the cast and show the public how easy it is to be related.

Tickets are now being sold by the members of the Band and also those taking part in the plays, and a large crowd is assured.

## Farewell Dinner

### to Mrs. Dunlap

Prominent among the pleasant and social happenings of the week was a farewell dinner given by Mrs. James Wakefield to Mrs. H. E. Dunlap, and a few friends. The dining room was prettily decorated with mistletoe and red and white festoons, and the place cards contained a poetical allusion to the departure of the honored guest, wishing her good luck and good bye.

Mrs. Dunlap showed her appreciation of the love of her friends by indulging in a "little cry," and instantly all eyes were wet. However, the appearance of a bountiful turkey feast soon cleared all countenances, and Mrs. Wakefield was besieged by eager questioners as to her recipes (or several dishes). Those present were: Mesdames Dunlap, O. M. Andrews, Colton, Beam, Empey, Swift, J. A. Ward, law, Reynolds and French.

## FOR ECZEMA, TETTER AND SALT RHEUM

The intense itching characteristic of these ailments is almost instantly allayed by Chamberlain's Salve. Many severe cases have been cured by it. For sale by the Safford Drug Co.

## FORGERS ATTENTION!

Public notice will be given through this paper when the Ft. Thomas mill closes down for the season. Pay no attention to contrary reports.

FR. THOMAS MILLING CO.

Don't be deceived by imitations of DeWitt's Carbolicized Witch Hazel Salve. When you ask for DeWitt's be sure to get it. The name is stamped on every box. There is just one original. It is especially good for piles. We sell and recommend them. Sold by Warner's New Drug Store.

## NATIONAL FOREST IMPROVEMENTS

### New Trails, Telephone Lines and Other Improvements in the Na- tional Forests of Arizona

Arizona has a natural interest in that part of the report of the Secretary of Agriculture which is devoted to permanent improvements on the Government's national forests. Such work as the construction of miles of trail, telephone lines, drift and pasture fences, ranger houses and barns has opened up and improved many square miles of Territory in the nine national forests in the Territory, and for these and similar purposes \$27,892.95 was spent during the last fiscal year, ending June 30, 1908.

Thirty and one-half miles of trail were built, 106 1-2 miles of telephone line were strung, and the forest ranges were improved by the construction of twenty-five miles of drift fence and forty-seven miles of pasture fence. During the year twenty-three houses to be used for ranger quarters were built, six watering places on the range were improved, and various miscellaneous improvements were made. In speaking of the permanent improvement work on all the national forests, the Secretary of Agriculture has the following to say in his annual report:

"The agricultural appropriation act of 1908 included an item of \$500,000, which was made available for permanent improvement work on the national forests. The object of this work is to help open up the forests to more use and provide means for their better and more economical protection, through the supply of means of communication and transportation, well-located field quarters, fire lines, fences to assist in the handling of stock, and watering places. These improvements are essentially investments of capital, which add greatly to the value and usefulness of the forests.

"The work completed during the year included 3,400 miles of telephone line, 100 miles of wagon road, 40 miles of fire line, 250 bridges, 550 cabins and barns, and 600 miles of pasture and drift fences. In addition to the sum provided by the special-improvement fund, over \$100,000 from the general fund of the Service was turned from current expenses to defray the cost of this work, but much of the work planned and urgently needed could not be carried out because there was nothing with which to pay for it.

"Detailed estimates covering a total of \$2,000,000 for permanent improvements, which it was desired to complete in 1909, were submitted to the Congress. They showed for the entire amount exactly what it was proposed to undertake on each national forest, and at what cost. The amount provided by the appropriation was \$600,000. For 1910 estimates will again be submitted for permanent improvements, the cost of which aggregate \$974,981. These estimates are the result of specific and fully itemized plans, which are on file in the Forest Service. They are in no sense a request for a lump sum, the spending of which remains to be planned in detail after appropriation is made. It is of urgent importance that this work should be provided for.

"Though the construction of permanent improvements entails the need of provision for their maintenance, the added efficiency of the forests as economic resources secured through these improvements richly repays the cost. With the national forests as with any other resources, their returns depend on the extent to which development takes place through judicious outlays of capital. If the land is not to remain a wilderness it must be made serviceable to the needs of civilized man by constructive expenditures.

There will be a leap year dance at Thatcher, in the Amusement Hall, on Tuesday evening, December 29th. Everybody invited.

W. B. McLaughlin and family left Saturday morning on an overland trip to Silver City, N. M., where they will visit Mrs. C. W. B. Link.

Wear a "Thoroughbred," the best \$3.00 hat made. J. M. Foster Mercantile Co. 44-1t

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## Wishing all a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year

## The Bank of Safford

D. W. Wickersham, Pres.      Geo. A. Olney, Vice-Pres.  
I. E. Solomon, Vice-Pres.      J. N. Porter, Vice-Pres.  
E. W. Clayton, Cashier.      J. S. Abbott, Asst. Cashier.

## Local News

### Merry Christmas.

F. C. Jacobs, one of Globe's leading attorneys, was a visitor in Safford Tuesday.

"Hansen's" the best working gloves made. For sale by the J. M. Foster Mercantile Co. 44-1t

W. O. Tuttle, Indian trader at Rice, spent Tuesday and Wednesday in town on business.

See our fine display of Rugs and Art Squares. All prices and patterns. Olney-Ijams Furniture Co. 43-2t

Harry Clifford arrived in Safford from Manticello, Ind., last Wednesday. Harry says that Arizona good enough for him.

You will find some good bargains in wool dress goods at the J. M. Foster Mercantile Co. 44-1t

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Abbott went to Globe Tuesday evening to attend the McKinnon-McKenzie wedding.

Just received, a shipment of Folding Go-carts. All the latest styles, at the Olney-Ijams Furniture Co. 43-2t

Miss May Dowdle returned Tuesday evening from Los Angeles, where she spent the past month visiting relatives and friends.

We wonder if the people of the Valley who are buying trees from traveling agents representing Eastern nurseries, know that R. A. Smith, of Safford, can produce a much better tree, tried and adapted to this climate, at half the cost.

O. L. Edgecomb, who has been manager of the Valley Milling Co., the past year, left for his home in Colorado Sunday morning.

We can certainly give the farmers and laboring men shoes that will stay with them. The Buckingham & Hecht Shoes. J. M. Foster Mercantile Co. 44-1t

R. A. Smith was awarded the first prize for the best exhibition of persimmons raised in Arizona at the Phoenix Fair.

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Mrs. Alice Davis, of El Paso, will spend the holidays here with her parents, Judge and Mrs. T. T. Hunter.

I'll never wear any hose but those "Everwear" guaranteed hose, like the J. M. Foster Mercantile Co. sells. 44-1t

R. J. Foster has purchased the McMullen residence. The sale was made through J. T. Owens, manager of the Graham County Real Estate Co.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the famous little pills, easy to take, safe, sure and gentle. Get Early Risers. They are the best pills made. We sell them. Sold by Warner's New Drug Store.

The stork visited the home of Fred Jacobson, Wednesday the 23d, and left him a beautiful Xmas present, a bright bouncing girl. Mother and daughter doing well.